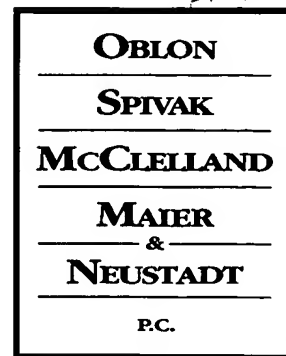




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In response to the election requirement dated August 23, 2005, Applicant elects Group II, Claims 1-7, drawn to a semiconductor memory device, classified in class 257, subclass 301, for further examination on the merits. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected invention.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1-7 is in order and is respectfully requested.

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